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SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO.



- 1. Formation of the All-China Federation of Democratic Women (ACFDW) was anncinced in December 1948 when, following a Communist directive, "Decisions on the Work of Peasant Women in the Liberated Areas," the Preparatory Committee for the Establishment of the ACFDW issued an invitation to an All-China Women's Congress. After the foundations had been laid by the Frearatory Committee, from January to March 1949, the Congress was set for 24 March.*
- The Standing Committee of the Preparatory Committee at a session in Peiping on 19 March 1949 decided to send delegates to the Assembly for Promoting World Peace in Paris in April 1949。 Sixty persons, including TS'AI Ch'ang (禁 暢), the chairman, TENG Ying-ch'ac (肇 類起), LI Te-ch'uan (李 德 全), CHANG Ch'in-ch'iu (張 孝 秋), and TSENG Haien-chih (曾 秦 柏), attended the session of the Standing Committee and heard reports on preparations for the All-China Women's Congress in both Nationalist- and Communist-controlled areas.
- The All-Chira Women's Congress met on 24 March in Peiping, with more than four hundred representatives from the Northeast, North China, Northwest, Rast China and Central Plain Liberated Areas and from Shanghai, Nanking, Canton, Taiwan, Hainan, and other areas still Nationalist controlled. Guests at the first session included 159 women and representatives of the Communist at the first session included 159 women and representatives of the Communist Government and organizations, such as TUNG Pi-wu (養 以 武) of the Communist Central Committee, CHOU Yang (周 颖) of the CC? North China Bureau, YANG Hsiu-feng (本 本), of the North China People's Government, HSU Tzu-chen (并 子 預) of the All-China Federation of Trade Unions, HSIEM Pang-ting (新 邦定) of the All-China Union of Students, CHIANG Nan-hsiang (南 河 河 如 of the China Youth Federation, CHAO Chen-sheng (克 报 图) of the Peiping municipality, SHIH Chen-ming (石 报 明) and CHU Fu-sheng (宋 原) representing the farmers, and II Chi-shen (本 源), IIU Ya-tzu (原 英 子).
 SHEN Chin-ju (流 约 儒), MA Hsü-lum (馬 叙 儒), and KUO Mo-jo (郭 宋 老).
 The session on the first day was devoted to opening announcements by Chairman TENG Ying-ch'ao and speeches by TS'AI Ch'ang and several of the guests. all TENG Ying-chao and speeches by TS'AI Chang and several of the guests, all

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emphasizing the need for unity of Chinese womanhood in carrying out the revolution to its end and working with international democratic women's groups for world peace. Henorary officers were elected, including, as presidents, Madame SUN Yat-wen, Madame Eugenie Cotton of the World Federation of Democratic Women, and HO Hsiang-ming (何 海流) (Madame LIAO Chung-k'ai).

- the Presidium of the Congress, consisting of the majority of the members of the Preparatory Committee for Establishment of the ACFDW, met on the following day, with CHANG Crim-chiu, secretary-general of the Preparatory Committee, as chairman. A Standing Presidium was elected, with TSTAI Chiang as president, and seventeen members, including TLNG Ying-chiao, LI te-chian, CHANG Chim-chiu, and hSU Kuang-pling () The Presidium decided to appoint representatives to present flags to MAO Tee-tung and CHU Te and voted to proceed with publicity to support the World Peace Conference,**
- 5. The Congress meetings continued until 3 April, with speeches, meetings, and discussion groups devoted to the formulation of a women's program for China. The main points stressed were the utilization of cities as center for the ganizing women's work and spreading it into the rural areas; him the presion of women to increase production in industry. LIU Ya-hsiung (24 the Congress totaled 411, 50 from the Northeast, 24 from North China, 39 from the Northwest, 61 from East China, 33 from the Central Plain, 88 from Shanghai, Nanking, Canton, Taiwan, and Hainan; there were six additional delegates representing special groups, including Mongols and Mohammedans.
- 6. The concluding days of the Congress were devoted to the establishment of the ACFDW in preliminary draft form and the election of its Executive Committee. Fifty-one members of the Executive Committee were elected and four more were to be chosen when all of China was under Communist control; twenty-one alternate members were chosen, with two vacancies to be filled later. Speeches supporting the suggestions of the leaders were nade by representative women from various positions, including K'ANG K'o-ciding (*** **\family** \family** acting chairman of the Liberated Areas Child Care Committee; T'ANG Kuei-fen (**\family** \family**), Shanghal women's leader; CHIANG I (**\family**), Shanghal leader; HSITH Hsüeh-lung (**\family** \family**), Taiwan women's leader; TS'AO Meng-chun (**\family**), cultural leader; LEI Chieh -ch'iung (**\family**), professor; LI Yü-chen (**\family**), woman company commander in the Communist army; WU Ch'ao-hsieng (**\family**), woman political commissar; LIU ANG Li-mins (**\family**), chairman of the Chinese woman's Temperance Association; FAN Chun (**\family**), woman student; Serangowa, Mongolian women's representative; and Hai-t'ao (**\family**), Mohammedan women's representative;
- 7. The members of the Executive Committee, in order of appointment, are the following:
 - (1) TS'AI Ch'ang

(4) HO Hsiang-ning

(2) TENG Ying-ch'ao

(5, LU Tolul (陸, 薙)

(3) LI Te-ch! iian

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(7)	HSU Kuang-p'ing	(30)	CHIVING Z
(8)	CHANG Chin-chiu	(31)	WANG Yuch-ts'un (王月村)
(9)	HAN Ch'i-min (韓 萩民)	(32)	CH'IM Cheng-ying (錢正英)
(10)	OU Meng-chueh (區 麥覺)	(33)	FING Ch'iu-mine (馮 秋 明)
(11)	LI Wen-i (孝文宜)	(34)	YANG K'o-ping (楊克水)
(12)	WU Lan (島 蘭)************************************	(35)	YANG Chih-fang (楊芝芳)
(13)	K'ANG K'o-ch'ing	(36)	CHANG Haiu-yen (張秀岩)
(14)	CH'EN Sheo-min (陳少敏)	(37)	CHAO Shih-lan (趙世蘭)
(15)	YANG Chih-hua (楊之華)	(38)	CHANG Holao-mei(張曉梅)
(16)	HSIEH Hstieh-hung	(39)	LO Chrising (羅 瓊)
(17)	I.IU Ya-hsiung	(40)	T'IEN Heju-chlian (田秀娟)
(18)	CHIEN Po-erh (陳 液兒)	(41)	CHAO Feng (趙 峰)
(19)	SHUAI Meng-ch'i (帥孟奇)	(42)	LI Chen (李 貞)
(20)	SHEN Tzu-chiu (沈兹九)	(43)	SHEN Yuan-shih (沈元施)
(21)	CHANG Chin-pao (張金保)	(14)	TENG Kiang (鄧 康)
(22)	TS®AC Meng-chun	(45)	CHANG Yün (章 藴)
(23)	LIU WANG Li-ming	(46)	YANG Yún-yú (楊 蘊玉)
(24)	HU Tzu-ying (胡子婴)	(47)	LI Chien-chen (李堅貞)
(25)	LO Shu-chang (羅 淑章)	(48)	CHANG Tzu-fang (張子芳)
(26)	II P'el-chih (李培之)	(49)	CH'I Yuan-se (戚元德)
(27)	YANG Kang (楊 剛)	(50)	II Po-ying (李伯嬴)
(28)		(51)	CHOIU I-han (斯一海)
(29)	LI Feng-Lien (李鳳蓮)		

8. Alternates to the Executive Committee are:

- (1) LIU Ch'ing-yang (劉清揚)
- (2) TSENG Chih (曾 志)
- (3) LI Hsiu-chen (李秀珍)
- (4) SUN Wen-tse (孫文澤)
- (5) HU Fai-ch'iu (胡耐秋)
 - (6) KUNG Pou-sheng (龔音生)
 - (7) Ti Chim-hud (杜启慧)
 - (8) Wil Kung-chih (危挟之)

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- (9) LIU Hu-ch eng (圖 虎 成)
- (16) PAI Ch'ion (白 茜)
- (10) TSENG Haien-chih (曾 遷 植)
- (17) CHANG Ch'iu-lin (残秋林)
- (11) CHING Man-yun (張曼筠)
- (18) MN I-chin (孫以蓮)
- (12) HUANG Wei (黄 微)
- (19) SHEN Chih-hui (沈之暉)
- (13) LI Pao-kuang (本雪光)
- (20) LI Yű-chen
- (14) WEI Heiu-ying (魏秀英)
- (21) LU Ying (盧 英)
- (15) LI Lan-ting (李藍丁)

Honorary Chairman: HO Hsiang-ning Chairman: TS'AI Ch'ang Vice-chairmen: TENG Ying-ch'ao, LI Te-ch'uan, HSU Kuang-p'ing Secretary-general: OU Eeng-chuch; assistant, TSENG Hsien-chih

Departments:

Organization: Chief, SHUAI Meng-chii; deputy T'IEN Hsiu-chuan

Publicity: Chief, SHEN Tzu-chiu; deputy, LO Ch'iung

Productive Enterprises: Chief, CHANG Chin-chiu

Deputies, LO Shu-chang, CHAO Feng

Women's and Children's Welfare: Chief K'ANG K'o-ch'ing

Deputy, SHEN Yuan- hih

Work in Kuomintang Controlled Areas: Chief, TS'AO Mong-chun

Deputy, II Wen-i

International Work: Chief, YANG Chih-hua

Deputies, LU Ts'ui, LIAO Meng-hsing

Standing Committee:

TS'AI Ch'ang
II Te-ch'üan
HSÜ Kuang-p'ing
OU Meng-chüch
K'ANG K'o-ch'ing
YANG Chih-hua
SHUAI Meng-ch'i
TS'AO Meng-ch'i

TENG Yin -ch'ao
LEI Chieh-ch'iung
CHANG Ch'in-ch'iu
CHANG Hsiu-yen
LO Ch'iung
TENG K'ang
SHEN Tzu-chiu
LIU WANG Li-ming

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- 10. The ACFDW appointed two delegates to the French Lamen's Congress held in Paris in June 1949. These were LU Ts'ui, who in addition to her position in the ACFDW is also a member of the board of directors of WFDW attached to its headquarters in Paris, and T'ANG Liang (度元), woman leader of the All China New Democratic Youth Corps, who is also a member of the board of directors of the International Union of Students and working for it abroad.
- 11. Meetings of the Standing Committee were held throughout the spring and summer of 1949. These were devoted principally to cooperation with the Executive Committee on preparations and invitations for the Conference of Asiatic Women, which it was determined to hold in Peiping in December 1949. Through the two committees, propaganda programs introducing the Conference and explaining its significance in Communist as well as women's work were arranged throughout China. The ACFDW also sent fifteen delegates to the Political Consultative Council in Peiping in September 1949, including: 15'AI Ch'ang, TENG Ying-ch'ao, SHUAI Meng-ch'i, CHANG Ch'in-ch'iu, LIU Yahsiung, CHANG Hsiu-yen, LI P'ei-chih, CHANG Chin-pao, SHEN Tzu-chiu, LIU Ch'ing-yang, LO Ch'iung, LU Ts'ui, CH'EN Po-erh, HUANG Ching-wen (美術文), and TU Chün-hui, and two alternates, KUNG P'u-sheng and CHAI Shu-chen
- 12. Women's organizations were formed throughout China as part of the ACFDW program. These include the following:
 - a. Democratic Women's Federation of Shanghai was formed on 26 June 1949, with the establishment of a Preparatory Committee of 87 members, headed by SHIH Liang (文 食), CHANG Yun, T'ANG Kuei-fen, and KO Yang (文 杨). The formation of this group was sponsored by TENG Ying-ch'ao and HSÜ Kuang-p'ing of the ACFDW and Mayor CHEN I of Shanghai.
 - b. A Preparatory Committee was established in Nanking on 15 June 1949, with seventeen members, including CH'EN Hsiu-liang (陳 传 夏) and P'EI I-yin (沛 軼南). CH'EN was chosen 21 November 1949 as the Nanking delegate to the Asiatic Comen's Conference.
 - c. A Preparatory Committee was organized among the women of Hankow and Wuchang for the Wu-Han Democratic Women's Federation. Leaders of the Committee named on 3 July 1949 were CH'I Yuan-te and HSIA Chih-hsu (夏之初); CH'I became the local delegate to the Asiatic Women's Conference.
 - d. In Tientsin, women's organization was not undertaken intensively until November, although a Preparatory Committee had been formed six months earlier. The Democratic Women's Federation of Tientsin was formally established on 6 November.
 - e. Klangsi Frovince sent PAO Heiu-ying (包 夸英) as its delegate to the Asiatic Women's Conference. PAO is secretary of the Women's Committee of the province and a member of the Provincial Committee.
- 13. The Chinese participation in the International Preparatory Committee for the Asiatic Women's Conference was large, since the Conference was held in Peiping in December 1949 and the ACFDW was the host organization. TS'AI Ch'ang acted as chairman of the committee and CHANG Yao (長 馬) as its general secretary. CHANG Ch'in-ch'iu served as chairman of the compilation and examination committee and LI Te-ch'üan as chairman of the exhibition committee.

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Comment. For the proceedings of the preliminary meetings, see

Comment. The activities of the Congress were given extensive publicity in radio broadcasts and news stories. It was apparent from these accounts that all the proceedings of the Congress were carefully arranged in advance by a few Communist leaders who presented their orders to the group in the form of speeches or accounts, which were discussed by the conference and then adopted without alteration. The meeting of the Presidium took precedence over normal sessions of the conference so that the Presidium, which was the real controlling agency, could nominate the delegates to the World Peace Conference (WPC) and present its program without interference. For a discussion of the Chinese delegation to the WPC,

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Comment. The leaders of the Preparatory Countities became the leaders of the ACFDW Executive Committee, except for a few who had already been assigned to important positions in other activities, such as the youth groups. For personal data on these leaders, see Attachment A. 25X1A

Comment. According to an observer of the conference, LIAO Menghaing is actually a replacement for HO Hsiang-ning, her mother, who is nearly seventy and is not interested in doing actual executive work. Since an open substitution was considered bad policy, particularly in that it would cause bad feeling among alternate members of the Executive Committee, HO Hsiang-ning was promoted to an honorary position, the first alternate, LIU Ching-yang, was moved up into the regular committee, and one of the vacancies was given to LIAO to make the family happy.

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Comment. The regulation of the All-China Federation of Democratic Women was passed at the first All-China Women's Congress on 1 April 1949.

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